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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: SENEGAL: KOREA

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1. CHARGE DISCUSSED KOREA QUESTION ON AUGUST 6 WITH DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS KANDE OF GOS FOREIGN MINISTRY. KANDE SAID DPRK WAS MAKING STRONG EFFORT TO OBTAIN NAM ENDORSEMENT OF NORTH KOREAN BELLIGERENCY. SENEGAL WAS WORKING AGAINST THIS MOVE, AS IT DID NOT WANT TO ENCOURAGE EITHER SIDE TO INITIATE DEVELOPMENTS WHICH COULD LEAD TO HOSTILITIES. HE SAID SENEGAL AGREED WITH US THAT IF NORTH KOREA WERE GIVEN MUCH ENCOURAGEMENT, ITS BELLIGERENCY WOULD INCREASE.

2. KANDE REAFFIRMED THAT GOS IS RE-EXAMINING KOREA QUESTION, AND SAID HE HAD BEEN ASSIGNED CENTRAL ROLE IN PREPARING REVIEW. HE HOPED THAT OUT OF THIS PROCESS WOULD COME GOS POSITION CLOSER TO THAT SOUGHT BY US AND ROK. KANDE OFFIERED PERSONAL VIEW THAT FOREIGN MINISTER SECK HAD EVOLVED IN DIRECTION OF BEING MORE EVEN-HANDED, THOUGHT THERE WAS STILL RESISTANCE TO THIS MOVEMENT ELSEWHERE
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IN MINISTRY.

3. KANDE NOTED THAT BRITISH AND JAPANESE EMBASSIES HAD ALSO
MADE PRESENTATIONS ON KOREA TO MINISTRY IN CONTEXT OF
CORE GROUP EFFORTS FOLLOWING SECRETARY'S JULY 22 ADDRESS.
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